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AMENDMENT

This is in response to the Office Action dated January 24, 2007 wherein claims 1-4, 7-17 have been rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as unpatentable over Allen in view of Adams and claim 6 has been rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as unpatentable over Allen in view of Adams, as applied to claim 1, and further in view of Evans.

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections for the following reasons.

Adams teaches a wheelchair seat with a seating surface made of a lateral array of straps and a longitudinal array of straps, as well as a method of fastening the seating surface to the frame of the wheelchair, that are completely different from the bearing surface of the invention. In particular, the seating surface of Adams is adapted to be mounted between a pair of spaced longitudinal rods. Only the lateral straps are provided